

**IN THE UNITED STATES
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 3679
 David DeRogatis *et al.*)
Serial No.: 10/613,605) Examiner: Ernesto Garcia
Filed: July 3, 2003)
For: **FASTENERS, RAILING
SYSTEM AND METHOD OF
ASSEMBLY**)

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for the Examiner's consideration. The Applicants note that the two-month deadline for filing a response to the Final Office Action is November 22, 2006; thus, this Amendment is timely and within the two-month shortened period for response under M.P.E.P. 706.07(f).